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IN RE APPLICATION OF

BETH ANNE PIPER

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FOR: METHOD FOR TREATING DIABETES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of January 17, 2001 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on April 17, 2001. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-3880 in the name of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company in the amount of \$890 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-3880 in the name of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

Respectfully submitted,

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